

Application No.: 10/720,488

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:*Please amend the paragraph on page 15, beginning at line 17 as follows:*

After the diaper 1 of such construction has been put on the wearer's body with the tape fasteners 23 anchored on the landing zone 26, the ~~[[rear]]~~front wings 17 are prevented from easily slipping relative to the respective anti-slip zones 44 since each of these anti-slip zones 44 has an average kinetic frictional force of 0.5 N or higher under a load of 58.23 g/9 cm² relative to the respective rear wings 18 put flat together with the respective the front wings 17. In other words, the front wing 17 is semi-fixed to the body facing surface 2 of the associated rear wing 18 by means of the anti-slip zone 44 provided on this front wing 17 and there is no fear that the front wing 17 might shift and/or twist relative to the associated rear wing 18 put flat together with the this front wing ~~[[18]]~~17 during use of the diaper 1. While the rear wing 18 is elastically stretchable under normal circumstances, it is difficult for the rear wing 18 to be easily stretchable in its zone placed upon the anti-slip zone 44. However, the rear wing 18 can be easily stretchable in its zone put flat together with the slip zone 46 and effectively function expected for the elastic rear wing 18. The average kinetic frictional force between the anti-slip zone 44 and the zone of the rear wing 18 put flat together therewith may be adjust to be 5 N or less under a load of 340 g/9 cm² to ensure that the rear wing 18 can slip relative to the associated anti-slip zone 44 as the rear wing 18 is intentionally pulled so that the front and rear waist regions 6, 7 might be counterchanged in the waist-surrounding direction. With a consequence, this diaper 1 is free from a problem that the presence of the anti-slip zones 44 might uncomfortably tighten the wearer's waist.

Abstract:

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